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Applicant: Ferguson et al. Application No.: 09/263,358

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-12 and 21-25 are currently pending in this application. The Examiner has required election of one of the following groups of claims under 35 U.S.C. §121:

Group I – claims 1-12, 21-25, drawn to a method of communication of data wherein retransmission of a segment received in error is requested only when the segment received in error is not correctable, classified in class 370, subclass 342.

Group II – claims 13-20, drawn to communication of data wherein a forward error correction coded rate is based on a channel condition, classified in class 714, subclass 752.

Applicants elect the claims of Group I (claims 1-12, 21-25) without traverse for prosecution on the merits. Applicants have cancelled claims 13-20 for filing in a divisional application.

An early examination of the elected claims on the merits is respectfully requested.

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Conclusion

If the Examiner believes that any additional minor formal matters need to be addressed in order to place this application in condition for allowance, or that a telephonic interview will help to materially advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone at the Examiner's convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

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